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In late June, the Soviet Embassy in P'yongyang was making preparations to establish a political screening center in Kaesong, using facilities which had been scheduled for use as a Soviet Red Cross hospital. The plan is to treat returning ROK and other United Nations prisoners of war at this hospital. English-speaking Russians, posing as doctors, will give political indoctrination to American prisoners of war immediately prior to exchange. New clothes will be furnished returning prisoners as part of the program.

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1. On 2 July, a high-ranking Soviet Foreign Affairs Ministry official who is an expert on the Far East, and a Chinese Communist Foreign Affairs Ministry official arrived in Kaesong with a staff of eight persons from Peiping. Senior members of this group were quartered in General NAM Il's house in Kaesong.
2. These Soviet and Chinese Communist diplomatic experts are prepared to accept or reject United Nations truce conference proposals on the spot, thus eliminating need for consultation with Moscow and Peiping. They have final instructions from their superiors to deal with the final issue now under discussion.

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